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Mr. Vernon Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD



RE:

Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of February 1, 2006 by Helm-Pacific Leasing ("Termination").

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Helm-Pacific Leasing, I submit for filing and recording, under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the following document:

Two (2) fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Termination.

In connection with the recording of the Termination, please note the following information:

Name and Address of Lessor:

Helm-Pacific Leasing

c/o Helm Pacific Corporation 505 Sansome Street, Suite 1800 San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee:

North American Salt Company 9900 West 109th Street 6th Floor Overland Park, KS 66210

Equipment:

53 Boxcars

HCGX 1000-1055

Please record this Termination as a supplemental agreement to STB Recordation No. **18364** filed on August 16, 1993. The filing fee of \$33.00 is included in our enclosed check.

Summary: Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of February 1, 2006 by Helm-Pacific Leasing for 53 boxcars, HCGX 1000-1055, to be filed as a supplemental agreement. Please file this Termination as a supplemental agreement to STB Recordation No. 18364.

Yours truly,

Sharon L. Van Fossan

Supervisor Contract Administration

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Enclosures (2)

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TERMINATION OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

THIS TERMINATION OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT ("Termination") is dated as of February 1, 2006 by HELM-PACIFIC LEASING, a Nebraska general partnership ("Lessor").

Lessor entered into the Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of March 29, 1993, as amended 1. by Amendment No. 1 dated as of November 2, 1993, Amendment No. 2 dated as of May 15, 1995, Amendment No. 3 dated as of June 30, 1998 and Amendment No. 4 dated as of May 2, 2001 ("Lease"), with North American Salt Company, a Delaware corporation, with respect to the railcars described in Schedule A attached hereto ("Units"). The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation ("STB") under STB Recordation Nos. 18364, 18364-A, 18364-B and 18364-C filed on August 16, 1993, July 21, 1995, October 16, 1998 and April 5, 2002, respectly.

The Units covered under the Lease were terminated from the Lease on July 1, 2005. The purpose of this Termination is to provide a formal termination of the Lease for filing with the STB.

Termination of Lease. Lessor hereby declares for the public record that the Lease is formally fully 2. terminated with respect to the Units.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment to be signed in its corporate name as of the date first above written.

HELM-PACIFIC LEASING

Helm Pacific Corporation,

a General Partner

By: Union Pacific Venture Leasing, Incorporated,

a General Partner

President and CEO

Name:

Title: President

| STATE OF CALIFORNIA)) S.S. |
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| COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO) |
| On 76/2006 before me, 1. 1. P. 1. 1. personally appeared John F. Dains, President and EO of Helm Pacific Corporation, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/acc subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(iss), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s) or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. |
| WITNESS my hand and official seal. Signature J.L. PAT TAFT Commission # 1425076 Notary Public - California & San Francisco County My Comm. Expires Jul 16, 2007 |
| (Seal) |
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| STATE OF NEBRASKA) S.S. COUNTY OF DOUGLAS) |
| On Ebruary 21, 2006 before me, Deboral L. Vornbrock, personally appeared Edward J. Weber, President of Union Pacific Venture Leasing, Incorporated, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s) or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. |
| WITNESS my hand and official seal. |
| Signature Whork L. Muchark |

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
DEBORAH L. VORNBROCK
My Comm. Exp. Jan. 15, 2008

(Seal)

SCHEDULE A

To the Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated February 1, 2006

<u>Description of the Unit</u>: Fifty-three (53) boxcars.

Units Mark and Numbers:

HCGX 1000, 1001, 1003-1017, 1019-1051, 1053-1055